

MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
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COUNTIES (MD/PA) WASHINGTON/FRANKLIN
M&D milestone no. 96 (99)
MHT-HSI no. WA-I-483

PROTECTED/ENDANGERED/MISSING

FIELD SHEET: MASON & DIXON LINE, MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA BOUNDARY MARKER SURVEY

LOCATION: USGS 7.5' quadrangle Smithsburg 1953 . UTM 18.27733.439973
original site/XXXXX/date 1767 photo rev 1971 bench mark/date none observed
Off S/S Lyons Road, Rocky Forge, MD. About 2.0 miles SSW of city of Waynesboro, PA;
at E edge of sparse settlement of Rocky Forge; at point about 2200' E of MD 60/
PA 316; in about 500' SSW of Foster house;
Monument cannot be seen from any road, but brushy mound with several posts (over)

DIRECTIONS TO SITE:

From M&D 95 (98): continue W & N on Goods Dam Rd about 0.2 mile to its end at
Lyons Rd; turn left (W) & follow about 0.8 mile to Foster's fine old restored house,
close to rd (S/S); turn into their drive; request permission to inspect stone. (over)

DESCRIPTION/MEASUREMENTS: original/replica/repayment/date 1767; squared oolitic
limestone post, standing only about 6" above top of mound; P on N/S, M on S/S

N face (PA): $12\frac{3}{4}$ " wide x 7" high; P clear but only partially exposed; large chunk
out of top NW corner; chips along top edge

E face: $12\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 5" high; no fluting or margins exposed; entire top edge
chipped off & 2 pits near top NE corner

S face (MD): $12\frac{3}{4}$ " wide x 9" high; M fairly intact & clear; large chunks out of top
corners; very weathered

W face: $12\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 8" high; fluting distinct & some margins; top corners &
edge broken off

top: no planes remain; very disfigured & weatherworn; large chips all
top corners & edges, especially SE & SW; linear cuts & 2 holes

bench mark: none indicated on maps; none observed

CONDITION OF MARKER/FOUNDATION: excellent/good/fair/deteriorated/rulns/unexposed

1900-03 Resurvey notes (order no. 99), as in MGS Vol. 7, 1908, p. 89
99. Milestone No. 96, M. & D., 1767. East of Little Antietam Creek.

1950 Inspection notes (present order no. 97, photo no. 96) as in Bayliff, 1959,
Appendix C, p. 104

99. Original monument in good foundation; badly chipped on south side and all
corners.

1979-81 Inspection notes: order no. 96 (99); photos/negatives/slides no. 96 (99)
96 (99). Original M&D milestone of 1767 in place, in fair condition, firmly set
in small mound of earth; only partially exposed. Letters distinct; top
disfigured by huge chips, linear cuts, 2 holes. Protected by site and owners.

SURROUNDING PROPERTY OWNERS (MD/PA): names, addresses, phones

MD: tax map 12, block , P. 40, deed 629 / 241, acres 5.00

Dr. Bruce Foster, 7780 Lyons Road, Waynesboro, PA 17268

Phone: (none listed)

PA: tax map , block , P. , deed / , acres (about 79.00)

Dr. Bruce Foster

RECORDED BY: names, addresses, phones, dates Alice Martin 11/22/80

14308 Mount Ave., Phoenix, MD 21131

Phone: 301/472-2128

Assisted by Clyde E. Martin; led to site by the Foster children (Alison &
Brian) & dogs

Also see: reverse side X, B&W photos X, negatives X, color slides X, maps X,
MHT-HSI form , other

LOCATION, continued

can be easily spotted from the gravel road leading to house S of the Fosters.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE; continued

Stone is about 1500' SSW from here and about 180' E of NE-SW fence. Walk past S/S barn, across gravel road serving house S of Fosters, and across field to brushy mound and stone.

NOTES

MGS will want to contact the Fosters about the condition of the site: earth mound should be dug away about 1' to better expose stone (and allow inspection of stone condition); mound and posts could be tidied up.

B&W PHOTOS/NEGATIVES

5x7 NW corner (1980.33.25), Alice Martin 11/22/80
5x7 SE corner (1980.33.23), " "
3 1/2x5 View NNE: of stone, toward Foster house & barns (1980.33.27), Alice Martin 11/22/80
3 1/2x5 View SE: of stone & gravel road (1980.33.22), Alice Martin 11/22/80

COLOR SLIDES

2x2 NW corner (1980.32.29), Alice Martin 11/22/80
2x2 SE corner (1980.32.28), " "
2x2 View SE: of stone, Alison & Brian Foster (1980.32.26), Alice Martin 11/22/80

MAPS

USGS 7 1/2' topographic quadrangle section
1900-03 Resurvey engineer's map (Plates XXXVI & XXXVII), updated
MD tax map section

OTHER

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THE 104 DIXON WEST LINE MILESTONE NO. 46 (PA.),

54631 SW
(GREENCASTLE)

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SMITHSBURG QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
1953 PHOTO REV. 1971
SCALE: 1" = 2000'
0.5 MI. TO PA. 16



77°37'30"
39°45'

2040 000 FEET (PA.)

277000m E.

278

316

35

997

279

4403000m N.

150 000 FEET
(PA.)

4402

4401

4400

4399

42°30"

4398



55441
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MASON EDIXON WEST LINE: MILESTONE 40 (44)
SE CORNER (M)-

PHOTO: ALICE MARTIN (1980.33.23) 11/22/80



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MASON & DIXON WEST LINE:

STONE 96 (99)

SW CORNER (-1M)

LOOKING NNE TOWARD FOSTER
HOUSE & BARN

PHOTO: ALICE MARTIN (1980.33.27)

11/22/80



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MASON: DIXON WEST LINE: MILESTONE 96 (34)
NW CORNER (P/-)

PHOTO: ALICE MARTIN (1980-33-25) 11/27/80



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MASON DIXON WEST LINE:

MILESTONE 96 (99)

SW CORNER (-/M) LOOKING
E TOWARD HOUSE & BARN
(FOSTER TENANT HOUSE?)

PHOTO: ALKE MARTIN (1980.33. 22)
11/22/80